

Remarks/Arguments

This Amendment After Final Action has been prepared in response to a designated Final Action which was dated January 22, 2007 regarding the above-identified U.S. Patent Application. In that Action, the Examiner rejected all but claim 16 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) on the basis of a proposed combination of U.S. Patent No. 6,614,454 B1 to Livingston, U.S. Patent No. 5,963,216 to Chiarabini et al., and U.S. Patent No. 6,078,936 to Martin et al.

In response to the January 22 Action, Applicant, while disagreeing with the Examiner's *substantive* rejection of certain claims in this case, hereby cancels without prejudice all but currently amended claim 10, wherein changes have been made to create an independent-claim status for amended claim 10 which is essentially now takes the form of allowed claim 16 written in independent-claim form.

With entry of this Amendment, currently amended claim 10 is in a condition for full formal allowance, and such action is respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any over-payment to Account No. 22-0258.

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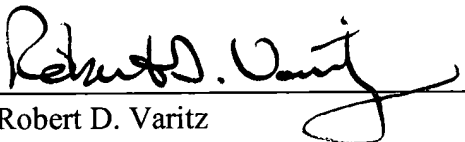
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